# **Downtown Arlington Activities**

## Extreme Chainsaw Carving Show Thursday, Friday and Saturday Feb. 2, 3, 4, 9am-5pm

Location: Legion Park parking lot, 114 N. Olympic Ave. Award winning chainsaw carvers from the Northwest and beyond will carve wooden eagles and other art for the festival. Come see the artists in action! Carvings are available for purchase. Live auction of carvings: Friday and Saturday at 4pm

## Nature Art Show Saturday, 10am-4pm

Location: Olympic Theater & Café, 107 N. Olympic Ave. Enjoy natural depictions of the beautiful Pacific Northwest flora and fauna as created by local artists. View the past 14 years of winning photographs of eagles and this year's entries. Participate in an "art and adventure" silent auction.

Sponsored by the Arlington Arts Council.

#### **Enter the Eagle Photo Contest and Nature Art Contest**

Arlington Arts Council invites Snohomish County, Skagit County, and Camano Island residents to enter the Eagle Photography Contest and Nature Art Contest, to be displayed at the art show on Sat. Feb. 4. Cash prizes up to \$200. Art entries must be delivered to the show venue on Friday 3:00-7:00pm. Contest rules and entry forms are available at <a href="https://www.arlingtonwa.gov/eaglefest">www.arlingtonwa.gov/eaglefest</a>.

#### **Enter the Nature Haiku Contest**

Snohomish County residents are invited to enter the haiku contest. Contest entry ends January 27, 2023. Poems will be on display at City Hall. Cash prizes. More information at <a href="https://www.arlingtonwa.gov/eaglefest">www.arlingtonwa.gov/eaglefest</a>.

#### **Downtown Arlington Super Saturday Sales**

Many downtown stores offer discounts on the first Saturday of the month.

#### **Eagle Fest Vendor Fair**

Several of our local market vendors will be outdoors at Legion Park on Saturday, 10:00am-2:00pm. Located at 114 N Olympic Ave. at the Centennial Trail.

#### The Reptile Lady Show

Experience reptiles up close with this wild, educational experience. The Reptile Lady's show is formatted for children, with audience participation and hands-on time at the end of each show.

#### www.reptilelady.org

Show times on Saturday: 11:00am show and 1:00pm show Located at the Olympic Theater, 111 N Olympic Ave.

# Wagon Rides with Andrew's Hay Downtown Saturday, 10am-4pm

Ride pickup is at City Hall, 238 N Olympic Avenue. Free wagon rides sponsored by Downtown Arlington Business Association.

# Eagle Quest Arlington Adventure Activity for Children Saturday, 10am –2pm

Explore downtown Arlington, learn about the birds, animals and fish that live in our environment, and collect a prize at the end of the quest.

Cost to participate \$7.50 per child. Start your Quest at the Visitors Information Center 104 N. Olympic Ave. Register at <a href="https://www.arlingtonwa.gov/eaglefest.">www.arlingtonwa.gov/eaglefest.</a>

#### **Children's Hands on Art Activity**

Saturday, 11am-3pm

Location: Council Chambers, behind City Hall at 238 N Olympic Ave.

Arlington Arts Council members are supplying a wood eagle or salmon for kids to color. Free activity.

# Nature Exhibitors Saturday, 11am-3pm

Location: Council Chambers, behind City Hall at 238 N Olympic Ave.

Visit with area organizations that participate in Eagle Festival, including Snohomish County Parks Rangers, Pilchuck Audubon, and Marysville Rock and Gem Club.

# Sky Valley Tractor Display Saturday, 11am-3pm

Location: City Hall parking lot, 238 N Olympic Ave. The Sky Valley Tractor Club displays antique tractors.

# Adventures, Places to see

#### Stillaguamish Valley Museum and Watershed Model

An outdoor shelter houses a hand-carved cedar relief map of the Stillaguamish River watershed as it was in 1910, when Arlington was the world's capital for cedar-shake mills.

Museum will be open for tours every Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday in February 1:00-4:00pm Location: 20722 67th Avenue NE, Arlington

## Paddle Rafting on the Stillaguamish River Friday and Saturday, Feb. 3 and Feb. 4 at 10:30am

Location: Meet at Haller Park 1100 West Avenue
North Fork Stilly Valley residents Jerry and Lori
Michalec invite you on an 5-mile raft journey from
Trafton to Haller Park. Expect bald eagle sightings,
views of wildlife, and a paddling workout on this
3-hour excursion. Enjoy the serene beauty, light
mood elevation, mochas and other distinct pleasures
of river travel with North Cascades River Expeditions.
Trip includes a midway lunch stop. Make reservations
now for this \$80 day trip at 1-800-634-8433. Call to
learn more or go to <a href="https://www.RiverExpeditions.com">www.RiverExpeditions.com</a>.

#### **Stormwater Wetland Park**

This stormwater wetland was designed to filter pollutants from the water flowing through its cells. City stormwater previously flowed directly into the Stillaguamish River. Now this water flows through the wetland where native plants and natural processes filter it. Walk the meandering trails around the wetland and read the interpretive signage.

Directions: use parking lot at Haller Park 1100 West Avenue, Arlington, walk west under SR 9 bridge to Stormwater Park.

www.arlingtonwa.gov/stormwaterpark

## **Country Charm Park & Conservation Area**

This gorgeous City of Arlington park property is open to explore the fields and riverfront. Park at the City parking lot at the end of Gilman Avenue and walk the drive into the park to discover the dirt trails that lead to the South Fork of the Stillaguamish River. www.arlingtonwa.gov/countrycharm

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#### **Whitehorse Trail**

Snohomish County's Whitehorse Trail follows the path of the former BNSF Railroad through the North Stillaguamish Valley, near SR 530, terminating in Darrington. This backcountry un-paved (in most areas) trail has several trailheads off of SR 530 east of Arlington.

www.snohomishcountywa.gov/Facilities/Facility/ Details/Whitehorse-Trail-105

#### **Eagle and Salmon Viewing at Squire Creek Park**

Squire Creek County Park is located approximately 24 miles east of Arlington towards the town of Darrington. If conditions are right, visitors can view spawning chum salmon in Squire Creek and eagles. Location: Squire Creek Park, 41415 SR 530, Arlington www.snohomishcountywa.gov/Facilities/Facility/Details/Squire-Creek-Park-54

#### **Fortson Mill Ponds Park**

Once the site of a bustling mill and community of over 300 residents, all that remains now of Fortson are some concrete walls and two pretty mill ponds. A fun place to explore. This site is also a trailhead for the Whitehorse Trail.

Read the history here: <a href="www.discoverdarrington.com/history-2/historical-places/fortson-mill/">www.discoverdarrington.com/history-2/historical-places/fortson-mill/</a> Location: SR 530 to Fortson Mill RD, near Milepost 42 <a href="https://snohomishcountywa.gov/Facilities/Facility/">https://snohomishcountywa.gov/Facilities/Facility/</a> Details/Whitehorse-Trail-105

Check our website for updates.

www.arlingtonwa.gov/eaglefest

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# Online Activities

#### **Recommended Eagle Festival Book List**

Check out a book or DVD from the recommended list of 18 selections for the Eagle Festival from the Arlington Library. www.bit.ly/355073W

## **Wolf Haven's Virtual Sanctuary Visit & Activities**

Virtually meet Wolf Haven's wolves through the online gallery or virtual sanctuary visit at www.wolfhaven.org
Activity sheets for kids available at www.arlingtowa.gov/eaglefest

#### **Sarvey Wildlife Care Center Virtual Visit**

Virtually see the rehabilitated animals and patient updates through the online gallery at www.sarveywildlife.org

#### **Discover Your Watershed Virtually**

A watershed is an area where streams and rivers drain into a common body of water. Watersheds transcend local, state and federal boundaries. Each watershed becomes a focal area for water quality, marine habitat, stormwater runoff, and other issues. This map shows the major rivers that subsidiary streams flow into within Snohomish County. www.soundsalmonsolutions.org/edresources-kids

#### Can you survive a Salmon's Journey?

Online game: Guide your salmon upstream to spawn, but watch out for dangerous obstacles along the way!

www.soundsalmonsolutions.org/edresources-kids

#### **Sound Waters Stewards University and Field Trips**

Are you curious about marine mammals? Do you want to learn about environmental resilience to climate change? Register for the Sound Waters University. Online classes and 17 field trip options. Feb. 3 through Feb. 12. Registration is required. Tickets are \$60.

www.soundwaterstewards.org

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